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In re Application of: J. Prudent *et al.*

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INVASIVE CLEAVAGE OF NUCLEIC ACIDS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir or Madam:

Prior to the prosecution of the present case, please make the following deletions and additions. A clean version of the pending claims with instructions for entry pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 (c)(3) is included below. A version with markings to show changes made is provided at Appendix 1, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.121(b)(1)(iii). For the Examiner's convenience, the entire set of pending claims is provided at Appendix 2.

IN THE TITLE:

Please change the Title of the Invention from "Invasive Cleavage of Nucleic Acids" to

Nucleic Acid Detection Assays

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IN THE SPECIFICATION